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AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No. : 10/576,402
Applicant : Masatsugu NAKAMURA et al.
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For : THERAPEUTIC AGENT FOR
KERACONJUNCTIVAL DISORDER
Art Unit : 1618
Examiner : Jagadishwar Rao SAMALA
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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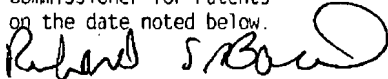
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